

NDIA Expeditionary Warfare Conference

In-Stride USV Force Multipliers



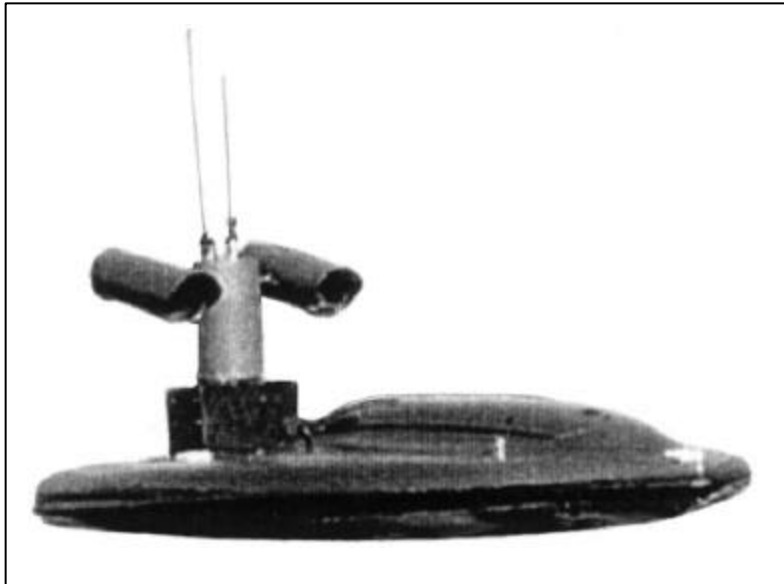
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In-Stride USV Force Multipliers



OWL Mark II Specifications



- **Speed:** 0-45 kts
- **Endurance:** 7.5 Hrs+ at max speed
- **Video/Telemetry:** 12+ nmi - line of sight
- **Max Payload:** 750 lbs.
- **Fuel Capacity:** 35 gal.

- **Vehicle Weight:** 1100 lb. (Dry)
- **Payload Weight:** 450 lb.
- **Propulsion System:** 700 cc Yamaha 2-cycle gas engine, diesel option
- **Length:** 9.7 ft.
- **Width:** 5.4 ft.
- **Draft:** 6 inches



OWL Command & Control



**Rack Mount Control Console in
Weather Proof Transit Case**



**USV pier Command and
Control at MIUW site, Bahrain**



Suit Case Control Console



Proposed USV Missions

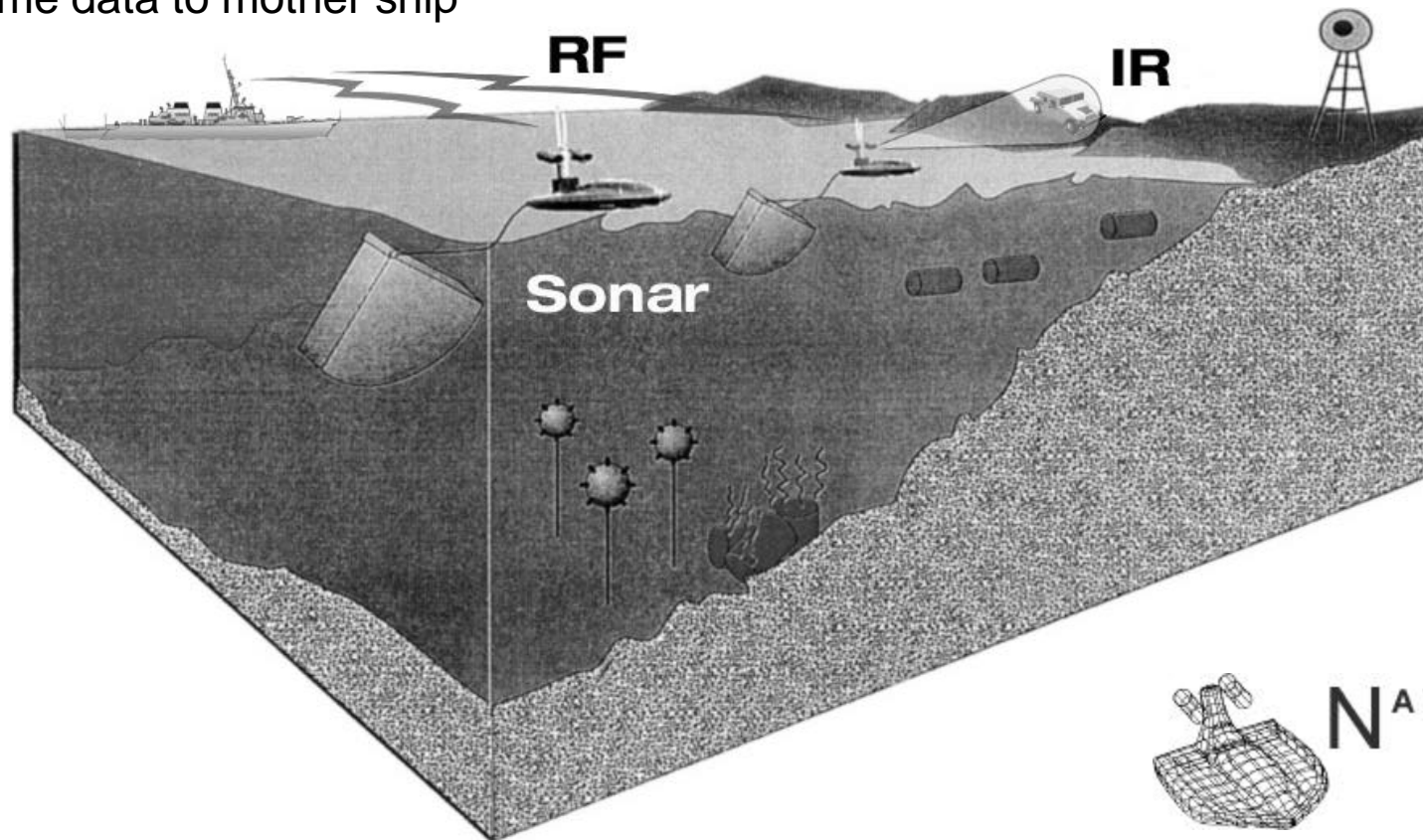


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USV CONOPS Example

Multi-Mission

- Two USVs position off coast and conduct MCM, hydrographic survey, and optical search
- Optical surveillance off coast & METOC data collection
- Detect and ID enemy on beach
- Side-scan or multibeam sonars detect presence of mine-like objects
- Real time data to mother ship



Deployment Platforms



**USS Nicholas
(FFG-47)**



**Typhoon
(Cyclone Class Patrol Craft)**



**Pegasus
(Mark V SOC)**



**USS Ardent
(MSO)**



**USNS Catawba
(ATF 166 Class Fleet Ocean Tug)**



Mark V USV Recovery



**Brittany
(60 ft workboat)**



**R/V Cory Chouest
(Research Vessel)**



100x50 ft Barge

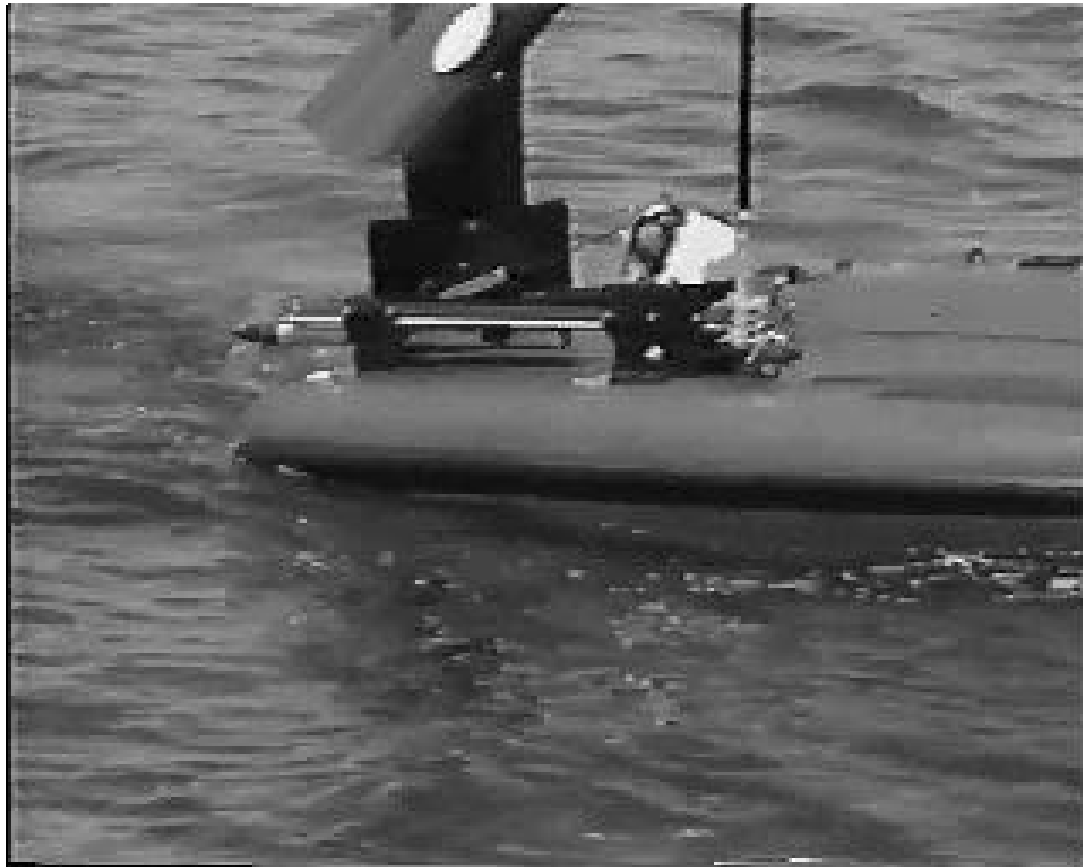


Sensor Options

- Surface
 - Visual, IR, Starlite
 - Acoustic
- Subsurface
 - Side scan sonar
 - Multibeam/bathymetric sonar
 - Optical
 - Magnetometer/gradiometer
 - Acoustic
- Environmental
 - SVP, water prop, bathymetry, sea state, turbidity



Sensor Options



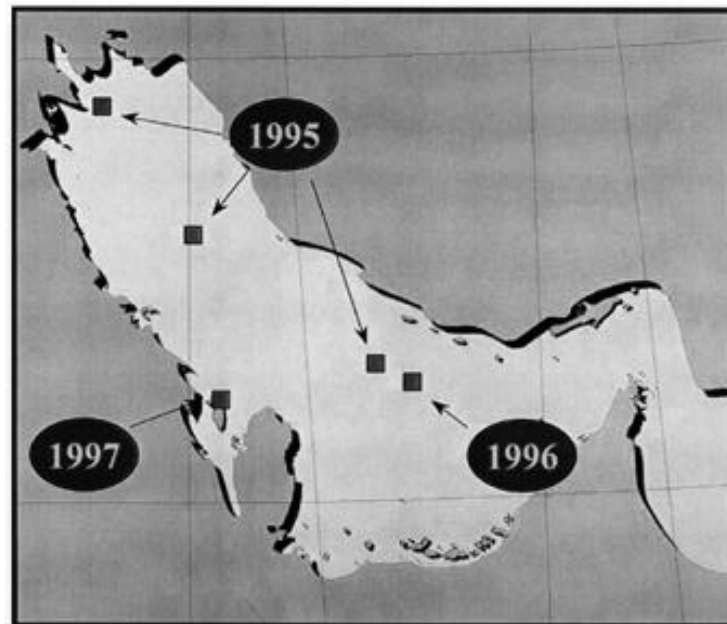
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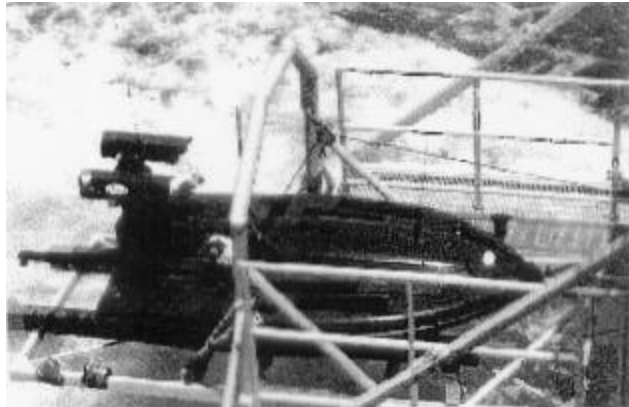
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Persian Gulf Deployment

- Mine warfare operations
- Littoral ASW surveillance
- MIUW USV waterside security missions
- Special operations
- Maritime Interdiction Operations (MIO)



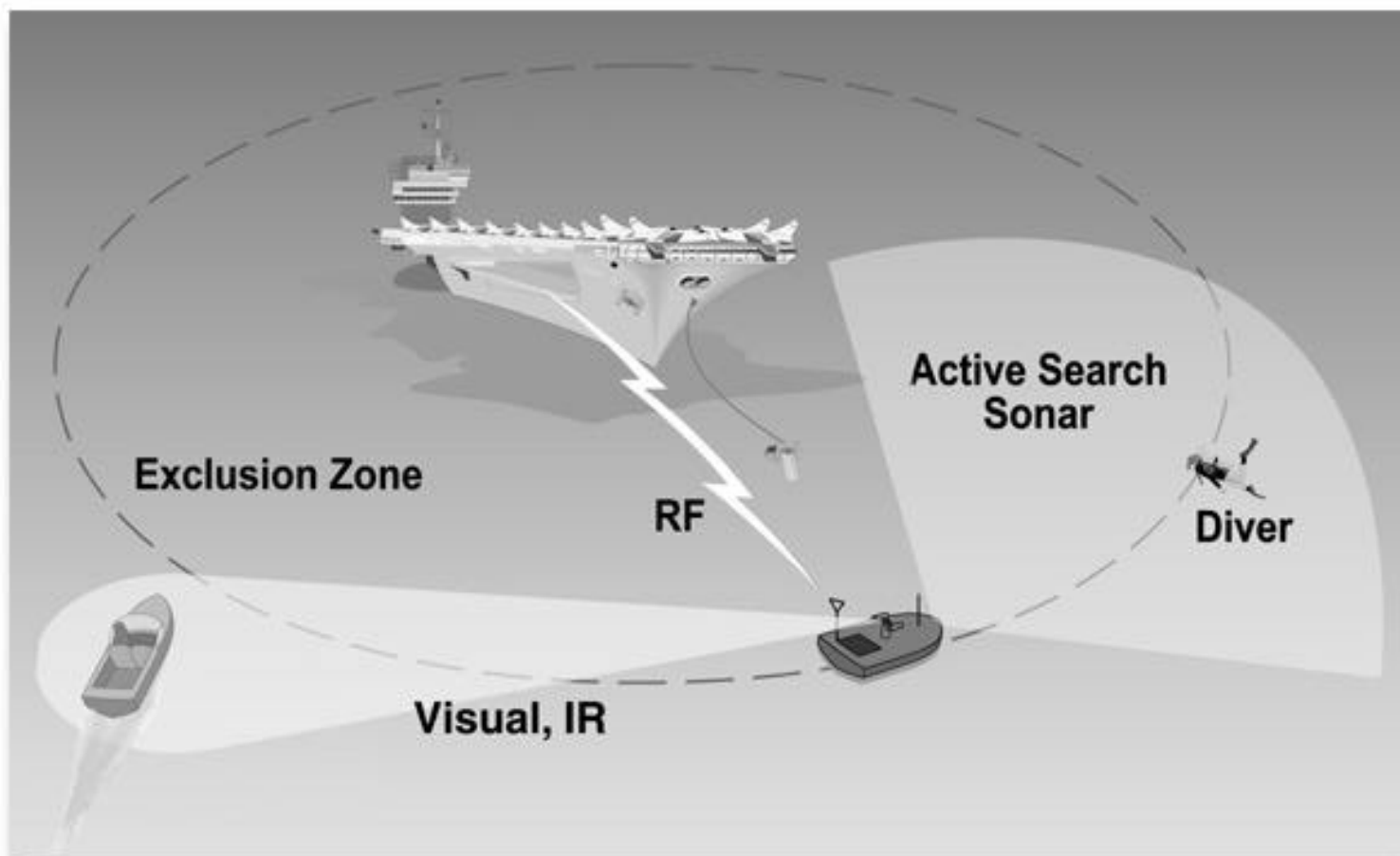
Accomplishments



- Demonstrated routine USV launch, control and recovery from a small ship
- Conducted side-scan surveys in 20 m water depths to 12 nm from ship
- Accomplished control of the USV and receipt of excellent video information to 10 nm from ship
- Detected an uncharted wreck in a mine danger area in North Arabian Gulf and also detected a mine-like object in a field of simulated mines in the Central Arabian Gulf (CAG)
- Demonstrated capability to tow TB-23 HF/MF modules with real-time data comms
- Detected and tracked a submarine in very shallow water (CAG)
- Demonstrated nighttime waterside security missions



In-Port Protection



Summary

- Personnel risk minimized
- Very shallow water operation
- Easy to launch, recover and operate from even small platforms
- Accommodates surface and subsurface search sensors
- Real-time sensor data feed
- Flexible payload capability
- High speed to mission area
- Endurance 24+ hr at low speeds
- Bridges gap between UAV's and UUV's
- Low-cost O&M
- Proven direct link to control platform
- Low observable design
- Flexible platform size configurations



USV Concept of Operations for Expeditionary Warfare





Recommendations

- Test Conops in Fleet Exercises/Experiments
 - CSS and SAIC USV's
- Experiment with Latest Sensor Technology
- Test Diesel and Diesel/Electric Engine
- Interface to GCCS-M MEDAL Segment





Questions?

